ATTACHMENT 3 Modifier conversion chart for anesthesia services

The following table lists the nationally recognized Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) modifiers that providers will be required to use when submitting claims for anesthesia services. A future *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* will notify providers of the specific effective dates for Wisconsin Medicaid's implementation of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

Before HIPAA implementation		After HIPAA implementation	
Local modifier	Local modifier description	HCPCS modifier	HCPCS modifier description
WD	CRNA or AA is the only CRNA or AA being medically directed	QΧ	CRNA (or AA) service: with medical direction by a physician
WP	Certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) or anesthesiologist assistant (AA) is one of two, three, or four CRNAs or AAs being medically directed		
WJ	CRNA is medically supervised	QZ	CRNA service: without medical direction by a physician
W1	Medically directing one CRNA or AA	QY	Medical direction of one CRNA (or AA) by an anesthesiologist
W2	Medically directing two CRNAs or AAs		Medical direction of two, three, or four concurrent anesthesia procedures involving qualified individuals
W3	Medically directing three CRNAs or AAs	QK	
W4	Medically directing four CRNAs or AAs		